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TOWN OFFICERS 1923

Fred A. Barton,		Moderator
Elbert E. Hurd,		Town Clerk
Lucius H. Nichols,		Selectman
Arthur W. Potter,	(Resigned Jan. 30 1924)	Selectman
Clifton G. Baker,		Selectman
Fred M. Clark,		Treasurer
Jacob Wanner Jr,		Tax Collector
Artur L. Benway,		Overseer Poor
William D. Thurber,		Police
Fred A. Barton,		Fire Warden
Wilson Kempton,		Road Agent
William D. Thurber,		Road Agent
Charles McLaughlin,		Road Agent
Harold B. Nichols,		Supervisor
Thomas F. Bluitte,		Supervisor
Frank M. Lovejoy,		Supervisor
Richard V. Hodgman		Auditor

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the town of Lempster in the County of Sullivan in said state, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at town house in said Lempster on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Art. 1 To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

Art. 2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for the same.

Art. 3. To bring in your votes for the election of Delegates-at-Large, Alternate Delegates-at-Large, District Delegates, Alternate District Delegates to the National Conventions of the Democratic and Republican parties, to be held for the purpose of nominating party candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States.

Art. 4. To see how much money the town will raise or appropriate for Memorial Day and Old Home Day.

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the Library.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to accept state aid for construction of highways and raise money therefore.

Art. 7. To see how much Money the town will raise to maintain the trunk line and state aid roads.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to allow the selectmen to deliver the blank inventories at the time they appraise the property for taxation.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will raise or appropriate for prevention of white pine blister rust.

Art. 10. To see if the town will appoint a committee to investigate the feasibility of establishing a town forest and make recommendations at the regular town meeting in March 1925.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to build a toilet on the Town Hall at East Lempster, and raise money for the same.

Art. 12. To see how much money the town will raise to paint and repair Union Hall.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to exempt the Grange from taxation on the barn.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road leading from the state road across Lewis Nerbone's field, known as C. N. Krook farm to the road thats leads by Mr. Wirkkala's.

Art. 15. To see what sum per hour the town will vote for labor on the highway.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to have the Town Hall and Union Hall Insured.

Art. 18. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hand and seal, this Twenty-third day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty-four.

LUCIUS H. NICHOLS, } Selectmen of
CLIFTON G. BAKER, } Lempster.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

LUCIUS H. NICHOLS, } Selectmen of
CLIFTON G. BAKER, } Lempster.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF LEMPSTER

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the ensuing year Jan. 31, 1924 to Jan. 31, 1925, Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the previous year Jan. 31, 1923 to Jan. 31, 1924.

Sources of Revenue	Actual 1923	Est. 1924
From State		
Bounties	$ 47.40	$ 100.00
Savings bank tax	156.61	160.00
For state aid maintenance	176.70	200.00
For trunk line maintenance	3277.13	3200.00
From Local Sources Except Taxes		
All licenses and permits except dog licenses	326.96	320.00
Rent of town hall and other buildings	13.78	12.00
Interest received on taxes and deposits	57.17	
Dog licenses	138.44	120.00
Rent on school land	9.84	14.76
F. A. Barton over draft	7.15	
From county	7.42	
From Poll Taxes		
From other taxes except property taxes	810.00	900.00
National bank stock	15.00	15.00
Revenue Applicable Only to New Construction and Improvements		
From State		
For state aid highway construction	145.39	150.00
Am't. raised by issue of bonds or notes	3200.00	3000.00
Revenue Which Must be Paid to Other Governmental Divisions		
Total revenues from all sources except property taxes	$ 8388.99	
Amount Raised by Property Taxes	8227.15	
Total Revenues	$ 16616.14	

PURPOSES of EXPENDITURES

	Actual 1923	Est. 1924
Town officers' salaries	$ 394.52	$ 450.00
Town officers' expenses	135.47	150.00
Election and registration expenses	18.50	40.00
Care and supplies for town halls	65.28	250.00
Protection of Persons and Property		
Bounties	107.40	
Police department	13.00	15.00
Fire department	254.90	
White pine blister rust	200.00	200.00
Damage to sheep by dogs	25.00	
Health		
Vital statistics	10.71	8.00
Highways and Bridges		
State aid maintenance		
State's and Town's contribution	364.55	400.00
Trunk line maintenance		
State's and Town's contribution	4431.32	5000.00
Town maintenance	2677.36	2500.00
General expense of highway dept.	555.94	300.00
Education		
Libraries	50.00	50.00
Charities		
Town poor	7.42	
Unclassified		
Legal expenses	25.00	25.00
Public Service Enterprises		
Cemeteries	87.30	80.00
Interest		
On temporary loans	255.77	240.00
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements		
State aid construction		
State's and Town's contribution	611.89	600.00
Indebtedness		
Payment on Principal of Debt		
Notes	3200.00	3000.00
Long term notes	100.00	100.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		
State taxes	575.00	575.00
County taxes	511.04	511.04
Payments to precints	318.00	400.00
Payments to school districts	2165.24	2400.00
Total Expenditures	$ 17160.61	

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

Inventory of the Town April 1, 1923.

Land and Buildings		$ 245725.00
Horses 134		11545.00
Oxen 4		315.00
Cows 239		10230.00
Neat Stock 50		1370.00
Sheep 16		56.00
Fowls 1032		1032.00
Portable Mills 2		1500.00
Wood and Lumber		14500.00
Stock in trade		550.00
Mills and Machinery		6600.00
		$ 293423.00
Soldiers exemption	$ 2400.00	
Taxes committed to collector		
Poll taxes	958.00	
Resident taxes	3649.64	
Non-resident taxes	4434.73	$ 9042.37

Rate of taxation $ 27.50 per M.

APPROPRIATIONS 1923

State tax	$ 575.00
County tax	511.04
Town charges	1000.00
Town highways	2000.00
Library, including amt. required by law	50.00
State aid construction	466.50
Trunk line maintenance	900.00
State aid maintenance	175.00
Pine blister rust	200.00
For contract A. L. Wright	100.00
Poll taxes to state assessed	376.00
Overlay	396.87
	$ 6750.41

FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT

Five dollars per m. on equalized valuation	$ 1663.96
Officers salaries	100.00
Medical inspection	25.00
Text books and supplies	100.00
High school tuition	275.00
Per capita tax	118.00
Flags	10.00
	$ 2291.96

ASSETS FEB. 1. 1924

Cash in hands of treasurer	$ 19.87
Taxes uncollected 1923	989.82
Taxes uncollected 1922	367.87
Taxes uncollected 1921	85.06
Taxes uncollected 1920	63.44
Due from state on forest fire	127.45
Due from state bounty on wildcats	60.00
	$ 1713.51

LIABILITIES

Unexpended balance for cement bridge	$ 400.00
Unexpended balance for Soldiers Memorial	36.60
For painting Union Hall	125.00
Arthur L. Benway	600.00
First National Bank of Newport	2000.00
Citizens National Bank of Keene	100.00
Unexpended balance trunk line maintenance	188.90
Unexpended balance for Memorial Day	8.00
School District	250.00
Total Liabilities	$ 3708.50
Total Assets	1713.51
Net debt Feb. 1, 1924.	$ 1994.99

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Male dogs licensed 33	$ 66.00	
Female dogs 12	60.00	
Breeders license	20.00	
1 part time	1.84	$ 147.84
Fees retained 47		9.40
Balance paid treasurer		$ 138.44

Fifty-two auto permits were issued by the clerk for which the sum of $326.96 was received and paid to the Town Treasurer.

Elbert E. Hurd, Town Clerk.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand	$ 564.34
First National Bank	3200.00
State Treasurer Highway Debt.	3599.22
Savings Bank tax	156.61
State Treasurer Hedgehogs	47.40
Town Clerk dog license	138.44
Town Clerk motor vehicles	326.96
Rent on School Lands	9.84
Overseer of the Poor	7.42
W. P. Hodgman taxes 1920	8.00
W. P. Hodgman taxes 1921	141.50
W. P. Hodgman taxes 1922	861.10
W. P. Hodgman Interest 1920-21-22	46.82
Jacob Wanner Jr. taxes 1923	8041.55
Jacob Wanner Jr. Interest 1923	10.35
Richard V. Hodgman rent Valley Hall	6.40
Frank Lovejoy rent Union Hall	7.38
Fred A. Barton over draft	7.15
	$ 17180.48
Orders drawn	I7160.61
Balance in Treasury	$ 19.87

Fred M. Clark, Treasurer.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

From local taxes			
Poll and property taxes committed to collector 1923	$ 9053.37		
Less abatements 1923	22.00		
Less uncollected 1923	989.82		
Property taxes 1923 collected		$ 7216.55	
Poll taxes 1923 collected @ $3.00		15.00	
Poll taxes 1923 collected @ $5.00		795.00	
National Bank stock taxes		15.00	
Property taxes of previous years collected		1010.60	
Total of tax collections			$ 9052.15
From state			
For state aid maintenance			$ 176.70
For state aid construction			145.39
For trunk line maintenance			3277.13
Savings bank tax			156.61
Bounties			47.40
From county			
For support of poor			7.42
From local sources except taxes			
Dog licenses			138.44
Rent of town halls			13.78
Interest on taxes			57.17
Permits for the registration of motor vehicles			326.96
Rent on school land			9.84
Fred A. Barton over draft			7.15
Receipts other than current revenue			
Temporary loans in anticipation taxes			3200.00
			$ 16616.14
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1923			564.34
			$ 17180.48

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

General Government	
Town officers salaries	$ 394.52
Town officers expenses	135.47
Election and registration expenses	18.50
Expenses town halls	65.28
	$ 613.77
Protection of Persons and Property	
Police department including care of tramps	$ 13.00
Fire department including Forest fire	254.90
White pine blister	200.00
Bounties	107.40
Damage by dogs	25.00
	$ 600.30
Health	
Vital statistics	$ 10.71
Highways and Bridges	
State aid maintenance	$ 364.55
Trunk line maintenance	4431.32
Town highways	2677.36
General expense highway	555.94
	$ 8029.17
Libraries	
Town library	$ 50.00
Charities	
Overseer of poor	$ 7.42
Public service enterprises	$ 87.30
Cemeteries	
Unclassified	
Legal expenses	$ 25.00

Interest	
Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	$255.77
New construction and permanent improvement	
State aid construction	$ 611.89
Indebtedness	
Payment on temporary loans	$ 3200.00
Payments on long term notes	100.00
	$ 3300.00
Payments to other Governmental Divisions	
Taxes paid to state	$ 575.00
Taxes paid to county	511.04
Poll taxes paid to state	318.00
Payments to school districts	2165.24
	$ 3569.28
Total payments for all purposes	$ 17160.61
Cash on hand January 31, 1924	19.87
	$ 17180.48

DETAILED STATEMENTS OF PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

L. H. Nichols Selectman	$ 100.00
C. G. Baker Selectman	60.00
A. W. Potter Selectman	35.00
Fred M. Clark Treasurer	50.00
Elbert E. Hurd Town Clerk	35.00
Arthur L. Benway Overseer of Poor	5.00
Richard V. Hodgman Auditor	6.00
Albert E. Hurd Auto permits fees	13.00
Jacob Wanner Jr. 1% on 1923 taxes collected	80.41
W. P. Hodgman 1% on 1922 taxes collected	8.61
W. P. Hodgman 1% on 1921 taxes collected	1.42
W. P. Hodgman 1% on 1920 taxes collected	.08
	$ 394.52

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

L. H. Nichols tel., postage and supplies	$ 18.11
F. M. Clark postage	.86
C. W. Rounsevel transfers	5.90
Maurice S. Call printing town reports	80.44
L. H. Nichols expense to tax commission meeting	5.00
C. G. Baker expense to tax commisson meeting	5.00
A. W. Potter expense to tax commission meeting	5.00
Edson C. Eastman supplies	3.16
James Metzer dog license book	1.75
W. P. Farmer assessors dues	2.00
Maurice S. Call printing check lists	8.25
	$ 135.47

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION EXPENSES

Thomas F. Bluitte supervisor	$ 7.50
Frank M. Lovejoy supervisor	9.00
W. D. Thurber ballot clerk	2.00
	$ 18.50

Town Hall Expenses

Waino Wirkkala	repairing town hall	$ 58.50
Richard Pollard	putting wood in Union Hall	1.00
March	sawing wood for Union Hall	1.00
E. M. Smith	supplies for town hall	2.38
E. E. Hurd	labor in Union Hall	2.40
		$ 65.28

Protection of Persons and Property

William D. Thurber	police	$ 7.00
Fred A. Barton	fire warden	242.50
A. K. Hodgman	forest fire	12.40
A. L. Benway	care of tramps	6.00
		$ 267.90

Bounties

L. H. Nichols	$ 35.80
C. G. Baker	11.60
Herbert Magoon	60.00
	$ 107.40

White Pine Blister Rust

State Forester	$ 200.00

Damage by Dogs to Sheep

W. S. Kempton	$ 25.00

Health

E. E. Hurd	recording vital statistics	$ 1.95
Mrs. L. H. Nichols	fumigating	3.00
F. W. Huntoon	board of health	5.76
		$ 10.71

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

State Aid Maintenance

Fred A. Barton		$ 346.55

TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

E. F. Cutler, Patrolman

E. F. Cutler		$ 910.03
Wm. Brown		9.45
Elmer Barton		3.15
H. M. Bingham	sand	3.90
Charles Horton	sand	15.60
G. A. Murry	sand	21.60
C. B. Hathaway	sand	10.40
G. C. Bassett	sand	2.30
Sign Board		1.25
Scraper		2.50
Sand Screen		2.00
W. L. Sargent	lumber	6.14
		$ 988.32

William Horton, Patrolman

William Horton		$ 965.56
A. C. Wade		18.90
Walter Horton		29.20
William Horton Jr.		32.35
Alton Hodgman		13.45
Marti Wirkala		6.30
Louis Narbone		2.10
Gas for oil mixer		.50
Bassett	gravel	16.90
Hodgman	gravel	36.45
Total		$ 1121.71

Arthur Wright	expense oiling	$ 435.37
Charles P. Riford	expense oiling	400.00

S Curve Maintenance

Charles A. Cragin	land	$ 11.50
Hattie Jackson	land	80.00
Fred Clark	use of auto	3.00
J. M. Barton	for making deeds	12.00
Charles Rounsevel	recording	2.85
L. H. Nichols	expenses on deeds	15.00
		$ 124.35

S Curve Maintenance
Alfred Daniels, Foreman

Alfred Daniels		$ 168.00
William Haley		115.00
Emory Wilbur		129.50
Arthur Benway		115.50
Clifton Baker		119.00
William Hook		82.83
Bernard Hawkins		61.25
William Horton		71.75
Martie Wirkkala		63.00
Gilbert Holt		48.61
Alton Hodgman		49.00
William Haley	board	18.00
Alfred Daniels	board	28.00
Alfred Daniels	auto	25.00
James Ready		72.00
William Haggart		137.19
Thomas Riley		1.00
G. B. Lear		1.50
Geoffrion's Garage		4.50
John G. Pike		31.07
Silsby & Johnson		2.38
George Ayotte		7.00
F. A. Rogers		3.24
F. P. Rowell		4.20
E. P. Elint		1.80
Harold Fairbanks		1.25
		$ 1361.57

Town Maintenance

W. S. Kempton, Agent

W. S. Kempton		$ 369.03
Roswell Miller		116.73
A. K. Hodgman		116.35
W. P. Hodgman		70.00
R. V. Hodgman		28.35
Ned Watts		56.70
Alton Hodgman		57.48
John Hook		14.70
William Horton Jr.		18.03
Walter Horton		18.03
Emory Wilbur		12.60
William Brown		6.30
Mrs. Schrink		6.30
Waino Wirkkala		6.65
Peter Liberty		18.90
Charles Pollard		6.30
William Hook		12.60
John Sargent	plank	38.63
Emmit Robinson	plank	16.50
F. A. Rogers	dynamite	2.82
E. M. Smith	printing signs	1.25
		$ 1021.25

Charles McLaughlin, Agent

Herbert Magoon		$ 25.20
Guy Banner		41.70
Charles Pollard		28.95
Willis Hunter		32.05
Fred Clark		22.05
Thomas Southwick		17.15
Fred Booth		9.45
A. L. Benway		51.65
R. V. Hodgman		16.33
Lewis Allen		15.75
George Quimby		12.60
J. F. Wheeler	gravel	5.00

S. S. Harris		24.63
Rand Ball & King	spikes	.80
Irving A. Hurd		1.40
Paul Banner		24.55
Harold Nickerson		4.50
Charles McLaughlin	gravel	80.00
Charles McLaughlin		276.29
		$ 689.45

William D. Thurber, Agent

William Thurber		$ 215.16
Everett Thurber		100.11
Frank Chapman		65.11
William Hook		52.50
Walter Thayer		45.15
Emory Wilbur	work and gravel	40.30
J. G. Sargent	plank	30.12
Thomas Bluitte		27.48
Jacob Wanner Jr.		18.90
Harry Pollard		16.98
Fred Drew	plank and stringers	16.30
William Thurber	plank and stringers	7.00
Erastus Lovejoy	gravel	6.60
Clifton Baker		6.30
Frank Lovejoy		5.08
Will Perkins	stringers	5.00
Myron Baker		3.15
William Horton	stringers	1.50
George Thurber		1.40
Frank A. Rogers	dynamite	1.32
Murry	gravel	1.20
		$ 666.66

Partridge Hill Road
Charles McLaughlin, Agent

Fred Clark	$ 26.60
Paul Banner	32.90
Thomas Bluitte	36.40
George Quimby	37.80
A. L. Benway	17.50
Frank Lovejoy	5.25
Rand Ball & King plow point	2.50
Charles McLaughlin	141.05
	$ 300.00

General Expense of Highways

Ned Watts	$ 16.80
Jacob Wanner Jr.	9.60
Clifton Baker	6.00
Alton Hodgman	8.10
William Horton	7.80
Emory Wilbur	15.00
Gerald & Stevens	160.59
George Southwick	8.55
Richard Hodgman	3.80
Peter Liberty	2.80
Arthur L. Benway	28.95
Elmer Barton	7.35
W. D. Thurber	20.00
Eddie Matheson	5.50
Wilson Kempton	34.20
Charles McLaughlin	6.80
Everett Thurber	2.18
W. I. Hook	27.75
L. H. Nichols	12.70
Henry Vignear scraper wheels	12.00
W. H. George	12.60
Elbert E. Hurd	23.85
Elmer Flint	14.62
Elmer Flint repairing road machine	1.75

O. C. Huntley	39.55
Walter Thayer	1.00
Mrs. C. Schrenk	12.60
W. P. Hodgman	46.00
John F. Wheeler	2.00
Ralph Pollard	2.50
E. L. Lovejoy	3.00
	$ 555.94

State Aid Construction

L. H. Nichols		$ 40.00
Walter Thayer		59.85
Everett Thurber		28.36
William Horton Jr.		22.76
S. S. Harris	lumber	16.26
S. S. Harris	drawing cement	1.70
Edmund Massicotte		22.05
F. A. Rogers	dynamite	1.56
Silsby & Johnson		4.46
Charles McLaughlin		50.40
Guy James		26.78
Paul James		4.63
Jacob Wanner Jr.		28.35
W. D. Thurber		29.93
Emory Wilbur		49.25
F. M. Clark		28.35
C. G. Baker		28.35
Richard Pollard		3.15
T. F. Bluitte		22.05
Roswell Miller		6.30
S. S. Harris		27.77
Richard Hodgman		23.10
John Quigley		3.15
F. A. Barton		6.00
F. P. Rowell	cement	15.30
Charles McLaughlin	gravel	60.00
L. H. Nichols	parts for plow	2.03
		$ 611.89

LIBRARIES

Library trustees	$ 50.00

CHARITIES

County poor

A. L. Benway care James Corey	$ 7.42

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

Cemeteries

A. K. Hodgman	opening graves	$ 30.00
A. K. Hodgman	labor	13.30
A. K. Hodgman	mowing	35.00
A. K. Hodgman	breaking roads	9.00
		$ 87.30

UNCLASSIFIED

J. M. Barton legal advice	$ 25.00

INTEREST

First National Bank of Newport	$ 225.77
Arthur L. Benway	30.00
	$ 255.77

INDEBTEDNESS

First National Bank of Newport	$ 3200.00
Citizens National Bank of Keene	100.00
	$ 3300.00

Payments to other Governmental Divisions

State Tax	$ 575.00
County Tax	511.04
Poll taxes to State $ 2.00 each on 155	318.00
School district money voted	$ 2041.96
School district rent on school land	9.84
School district dog licenses for 1923	113.44
	$ 3569.28

Trunk Line Maintenance Account

Money available	State	Town	Total
Balance	$ 3305.21	$ 413.15	$ 3718.36
Appropriation 1923	5320.00	900.00	6220.00
	$ 8625.21	$ 1313.15	$ 9938.36
1923 Expenses	7491.79	1124.25	8616.04
Balance	$ 1133.42	$ 188.90	$ 1322.32

Engineering		$ 266.25
21,645 gallons oil		1982.70
Cold patch		521.22
Trucks		272.50
Surveyor		93.10
A. V. Wright	freight and labor cold patch	107.94
Garage repairs		1.62
Steam shovel		300.00
A. V. Wright		428.00
A. V. Wright		241.33

State Aid Construction Account

Money available	State	Town	Total
Appropriation	$ 279.60	$ 466.50	$ 746.10
Expense	279.60	466.50	746.10
Engineering			3.50
Culverts			130.71

State Aid Maintenance

Money available	State	Town	Total
Appropriation 1923	$ 175.00	$ 175.00	$ 350.00
Extra	5.70	5.70	11.40
	$ 180.70	$ 180.70	$ 361.40
Expense	180.70	180.70	361.40
Engineering			4.00

Respectfully submitted,

Lucius H. Nichols, }
Clifton G. Baker, } Selectmen of Lempster.

Report of Trustees of Trust Funds

For year ending Jan. 31, 1924.

RECEIPTS

Asa Way	school fund	$ 18.06
Henry Hurd	school fund	6.70
James G. Hosley	cemetery fund	12.22
Charles Booth	cemetery fund	20.20
Duren S. Honey	cemetery fund	6.06
Almon Booth	cemetery fund	4.04
Frank B. Davis	cemetery fund	3.02
Leander Hill	cemetery fund	8.08
William T. Thissell	cemetery fund	8.08
Andrew J. Mitchell	cemetery fund	4.04
Duren S. Honey	cemetery fund	6.06
		$ 96.46
Balance unexpended Jan. 31, 1923.		356.05
		$ 452.51

EXPENDITURES

Lempster School District	$ 24.76
Labor	13.50
Brown fence and wire Co.	209.32
	$ 247.58
Total unexpended income	$ 204.93

Where Funds Are Invested

Asa Way	fund	Newport Savings Bank	$ 447.50
Henry Hurd	fund	Newport Savings Bank	166.66
James G. Hosley	fund	Newport Savings Bank	300.00
Charles Booth	fund	Newport Savings Bank	500.00
Duren S. Honey	fund	Newport Savings Bank	150.00
Almon Booth	fund	Newport Savings Bank	100.00
Frank B. Davis	fund	Newport Savings Bank	75.00
Leander Hill	fund	Newport Savings Bank	200.00
William T. Thissell	fund	Newport Savings Bank	200.00
Andrew J. Mitchell	fund	Newport Savings Bank	100.00
Duren S. Honey	fund	Sugar River Sav. Bank	150.00

A. L. Benway,
Thomas F. Bluitte,
L. H. Nichols,
} Trustees of Trust Funds

Report of Library Trustees

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 31, 1923	$ 37.64
Town appropriations	50.00
Fines	1.39
	$ 89.03

EXPENDITURES

J. W. Johnson & Son books	$ 20.00
Mucilage	.10
National Geographic Monthly	
Popular Science Monthly and	
St. Nicholas Magazines	9.50
Hallie Holt, services as librarian	6.24
Elizabeth Hodgman services as librarian	18.76
E. W. Matheson, ½ cord wood	6.00
Kerosene oil	.73
	$ 61.33
Balance on hand	$ 27.70

RESOURCES

Number of bound volumes at beginning of year	1,653
Books added in 1923	32
Total circulation for the year	638

Harold B. Nichols,
Herbert S. Hooper,
L. May Wheeler,
} Library Trustees

Report of Overseer of Poor

March settlement 1923	Aid for James M. Carey	
Paid W. E. Clark, M. D.		$ 4.50
Paid E. W. Matheson	groceries	1.92
Paid C. W. McLaughlin	supplies	1.00
		$ 7.42

Received from County and paid Town Treas. $ 7.42

Paid Frank Newton care of tramps $ 6.00

A. L. Benway, Overseer of Poor.

Janitor Service Union Hall

Received of Oregon Medicine Co.	$ 15.00
Received of Paul Banner	3.00
Received Uncle Toms Cabin	3.00
	$ 21.00
Paid E. W. Matheson	$ 1.62
Paid F. M. Lovejoy	12.00
Paid Town treas.	7.38
	$ 21.00

Frank M. Lovejoy

Janitor

Union Hall

Janitor Service Valley Hall

Richard V. Hodgman, by proxy

Received for month of May rent	$ 3.00
Paid for oil and chimneys	1.65
Paid balance due town	$ 1.35
Received for month of June rent	$ 3.00
Paid for oil and chimneys	.92
Paid to town	$ 2.08
Received for month of July rent	$ 2.00
Paid for oil and chimneys	1.27
Paid to town	$ .73
Received for month of August rent	$ 1.00
Paid for oil	.19
Paid to town	$ .81
Received for month of October rent	$ 2.00
Paid for oil	.57
Paid to town	$ 1.43
Total paid to town	$ 6.40

I hereby certify that I have carefully examined the accounts of the selectmen, treasurer, town clerk, highway agents, patrolmen, overseer of the poor, trustees, of trust funds and library trustees and find them correct.

Richard V. Hodgman, Auditor.

Lempster

School Report

For the Year Ending

June 30, 1923

Superintendent's Report to the Lempster Board

Members of the School Board of Lempster:

In 1846, in the city of Springfield, Mass. a test in arithmetic was given to the ninth grade high school pupils of the average age of 15 years and six months. The average of the grades given was 29.41%. In 1923 the same test was given without warning to the children in the eighth grade of the Town of Lempster. The average of the grades given was 93%. No more striking commentary can be given concerning the improvement over the "good old days".

The introduction of standardized tests has been continued, in addition to the rating of papers and oral recitations by the superintendent. The retardation in Lempster is exceedingly small. The most striking example of excellent efficiency in teaching occurs in the Lempster Street School, where the Stanford Achievement Tests were given to grades, three to eight. Thirteen children took these tests in Reading, Composition, Arithmetic, History, Nature Study, Literature and Spelling. Of this number eleven were found to range from at grade to four years educational age above actual age. Wording this in another way, it was found that the knowledge of these eleven children exceeded what would normally be expected of children of their age, in all cases; and in some cases as much as would normally be expected in four additional years of education.

Those citizens who have kept watch of the remodeling and improvement program carried out by the School Board in the various buildings cannot fail to be impressed by the change. Lempster now has three buildings of more than average beauty and convenience. The future years should carry on this same forward looking program. The installation of chemical toilets is a step that can be taken without great expense, and the schools lacking jacketed stoves should be supplied with them, sometime.

East Lempster still lacks suitable playground space. The barren and sandy lot towards the south can be made beautiful without much expense. Doubtless, adjustable shades will solve the lighting troubles in Cragin and East. These are merely things to be kept in mind; for while the Town can rightly feel justifiable pleasure, there is always something more to be done in the way of improving buildings of the old type.

The superintendent desires again to express his heartfelt appreciation of the cooperation of the school board and parents; and to give thanks for the always present sound advice of the school board. No school system can rise higher than the intentions and insistence of the school board. The present school system is a credit to the present board.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawton Chase, Supt.

Statistical Report For Lempster

Compiled by Superintendent

State aid money	$ 1449.05
Salaries of teaching force	2128.00
Average salary in Lempster	709.33
Average salary for State of New Hampshire (women)	916.42
Average salary, men teachers in N. H.	1103.59

Above averages for elementary schools only

Per cent of attendance Lempster	91
Per cent of attendance, public schools of the state	93.46

Whole number of schools maintained in Lempster	3
Teaching positions	3
Changes in year ending June 30, 1923	0
Boys registered in public schools of Lempster	30
Girls	23

Above registration excludes all registered in any other school in the state

Unrepeated registration	53
Total registration for Lempster	57

Length of school year in weeks of five days	36
Average half days schools were actually in session	340
Average half days lost for holidays and other no school days	20
Aggregate attendance in half days	14709
Aggregate absence	1275
Not absent or tardy during the year	5
Cases of tardiness	72
Visits made by superintendent	54
Incidental trips made by superintendent	18
Number of citizens visiting schools	115
Visits made by school board members	19

Report of Medical Inspection

During the past year I examined the children of our schools, finding in a great many respects some improvement (physical) over one year ago. However looking back over a period of two or three years, I found a marked improvement. Never the less there is still a chance for still greater results, there still remaining a few cases that ought to have immediate attention.

I hope by another year to make a still better report.

W. E. Clark, M. D.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RECEIPTS

From state		$ 1581.26
From town	$5.00 per M. tax	1451.62
From town	high school tuition	250.00
From town	salaries district officers	100.00
From town	payment debt	150.00
From town	payment interest	10.00
From town	per capita tax	124.00
From town	text books and supplies	230.00
From town	flags	10.00
From town	medical inspection	25.00
From	dog licenses	71.45
From	Acworth tuitions	162.00
From	trustees income from trust funds	3.07
From	sale of books	1.47
From	rent of school land	9.84
		$ 4179.71
Cash on hand July 1, 1922		361.64
Total		$ 4541.35

PAYMENTS

Salaries of district officers	$ 87.00
Superintendent's excess salary	115.38
Truant officer	4.00
Expense of administration	30.87
Teacher's salaries	2088.00
Text books	90.39
Supplies	150.41
Flags	2.00
Other expenses of instruction	27.22
Janitor service	38.13
Fuel	150.00
Janitor's supplies	31.80
Minor repairs and expenses	486.32
Medical inspection	25.00
Transportation	705.00
High school tuition	264.65
Other special activities	3.35
Per capita tax	124.00
	$ 4428.52
Cash on hand	112.83
	$ 4541.35

DETAILED STATEMENTS OF PAYMENTS

Salaries of District Officers

E. E. Hurd school board	$ 35.00
L. May Wheeler school board	20.00
Conchita Hodgman school board	20.00
J. F. Wheeler treasure	10.00
R. V. Hodgman auditor	2.00
	$ 87.00
Superintendent's excess salary	$ 115.38
Truant officer	$ 4.00

Expenses of Administration

J. F. Wheeler postage	$ 2.12
E. E. Hurd postage, tel., freight	4.82
E. E. Hurd labor, travel etc.	23.93
	$ 30.87

Teachers' Salaries

Susie B. Hurd	$ 720.00
Mary A. Nichols	720.00
Olive Smith	648.00
	$ 2088.00

Text Books

Laidlaw Bros.	$ 15.77
D. C. Heath Co.	13.47
F. M. Ambrose & Co.	11.54
Babb & Co.	28.82
Benj. Sanborn Co.	4.65
Am. Book Co.	6.87
F. M. Ambrose & Co.	2.48
Scott Foreman & Co.	6.79
	$ 90.39

Supplies

Kenny Bros. & Wolkins	$ 97.65
World Book Co.	19.00
Milton Bradley Co.	1.54
Charlestown School Dist.	1.34
Milton Bradley Co.	5.45
E. E. Hurd	3.55
Charlestown School Dist.	10.09
Scott Foreman & Co.	6.79
McMillian Co.	3.68
Milton Bradley Co.	1.32
	$ 150.41

Flags

D. McNeil	$ 2.00

Other Expenses of Instruction

J. L. Hammett Co. cards	$ 8.19
Am. Book Co. dictionaries	5.55
Funk & Wagnals map	9.48
E. E. Hurd music books	2.00
Am. Nature Ass'n. Nature Magazine	2.00
	$ 27.22

Janitor Service

Agnes Rowe cleaning	$ 1.50
Wm. Horton cleaning stove pipe	1.50
Josie Horton cleaning	1.00
Josie Horton washing floor	1.00
E. M. Smith oiling floor	1.13
Richards Pollard janitor	10.00
Agnes Rowe cleaning	2.00
W. Wirkkala janitor	10.00
Wm. Horton janitor	7.23
Mary Nichols janitor	2.77
	$ 38.13

Fuel

L. H. Nichols	$ 40.00
W. D. Thurber	35.00
W. Wirkkala	40.00
	$ 115.00

Janitors Supplies

O. C. Steele Mfg. Co. curtains	$ 20.75
E. W. Matheson brooms	1.90
Silsby & Johnson oil, nails etc.	9.15
	$ 30.80

Minor Repairs and Expenses

G. R. Gassett labor	$ 34.40
Ralph Pollard labor	24.20
F. P. Rowell wall board etc.	126.57
Agnes Rowe washing floor	1.00
J. F. Wheeler stove	21.25
W. L. Sargent lumber	9.90
H. H. Chatfield labor	.50
F. P. Rowell shingles	6.00
H. W. Nickerson labor	17.95
E. L. Lovejoy painting	34.00
Silsby & Johnson paint and hardware	73.89
F. M. Clark lumber	3.64
J. Wanner Jr. drawing shingle	4.00
Elmer Barton labor	17.44
J. Wanner Jr. labor	19.44
J. F. Wheeler labor, lumber etc.	5.14
F. P. Rowell shingles	87.00
	$ 486.32

Medical Inspection

W. E. Clark, M. D.	$ 25.00

Transportation

W. I. Hook	$ 330.00
Aino Sario	370.00
W. D. Thurber	45.00
	$ 745.00

High School Tuition

Haverhill High Ruth Thurber	$ 55.00
Kimball Union Academy	
William Clark and Frederic Pollard	110.00
Newport School Dist.	
John Gillingham, John Hook, Wm. Horton	99.65
	$ 264.65

Other Special Activities

J. W. Johnson & Son bat, balls etc.	$ 3.35

Per Capita Tax

State Treasurer	$ 124.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance in Treasury	$ 361.64
Received balance on Trust Funds 1922	3.07
Received from Town	2350.62
Received from J. F. Wheeler for old stove	1.00
Received from State Trea's. Education Equalization	1581.26
Received from Town Dog Licenses	71.45
Received from Town Rent on School Lands	9.84
Received from Acworth School District	162.00
Received from L. May Wheeler for white letter paper	.47
	$ 4,541.35
Orders Paid of School Board	$ 4,428.52
Balance in Treasury	$ 112.83

John F. Wheeler,
Treasurer.

Recommendations of School Board

The School Board recommends as required by Law, the following sums as needed for the school year beginning Sept. 1, 1924.

For support of schools to the amount of a $ 5.00 per $ 1,000.00 tax on equalized valuation

For text books and supplies	$ 100.00
High school tuition	300.00
Per capita tax	118.00

Respectfully submitted,

Elbert E. Hurd,
Conchita I. Hodgman,
L. May Wheeler,
School Board.

Report of Auditor

I hereby certify that I have examined the reports and accounts of School Board and School Treasurer and find them correct.

Richard V. Hodgman, Auditor.

Marriages registered in the Town of Lempster, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1923.

Date 1923	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each	Age	Color	Occupation of Each	Birthplace of Each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	No. Marriage	Name, Residence and official station of person by whom married
an. 6	Lempster, N. H.	Warren Morse Marshall	So. Shaftsbury, Vt.	46	All White	Station Agt.	No. Claredon, Vt.	Myron E. Marshall		Butter Maker	2	E. E. Hurd,
								Mary Morse		Teacher		Lempster, N. H.
		Mary E. Corcoran	Bennington, Vt.	29		Teacher	Bennington, Vt.	Bartholemew Corey	Bennington, Vt.	Farmer	2	Justice of the Peace
								Margaret Jones	Cambridge, N. Y.	Housekeeper		
ay 26	Alstead, N. H.	Daniel D. Gassett	Lempster, N. H.	24		Laborer	Cornish, N. H.	George R. Gassett	Dalton, N. H.	Laborer	1	Rev. O. E. Hardy,
								Abbie Blood	Plainfield, N. H.	Housewife		Alstead, N. H.
		Dorothy Valliant	Newport, N. H.	17		Housework	Wilsboro, N. Y.	George Valliant	Wilsboro, N. Y.		1	Clergyman
								Ellen Shappy	Wilsboro, N. Y.			
ct. 30	Keene, N. H.	W. Forest Sargent	Lempster, N. H.	38		Real Estate	Goffstown, N. H.	W. L. Sargent	Goffstown, N. H.	Lumberman	3	N. Addison Baker,
								Elizabeth Johnson	Manchester, N. H.	Housewife		Keene, N. H.
		Edith L. Pitcher	Keene, N. H.	36		Stenographer	Marlow, N. H.	Wallace H. French	Bridgewater, Vt.	Farmer	2	Unitarian Minister
								Charlotte B. Allen	Franklin, N. H.	Housewife		

Births registered in the Town of Lempster, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1923.

Date 1923	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	No. of Child	Condition	Color	Father's Name	Maiden Name of Mother	Color	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Feb. 10	Lempster, N.H.	Frank Joseph	M	1	L	All White	Walter Murgatroyd	May J. Horton	All White	Lempster, N. H.		Philadelphia, Pa.	Boston, Mass.
June 2	Lempster, N.H.	Barbara May	F	1	L		Kenneth G. Holt	Hallie Gassett		Lempster, N. H.	Farmer	Pomfort, Vt.	Lempster, N. H.
Sept. 4	Lempster, N.H.	Almy Elizabeth	F	1	L		Frank M. Lovejoy	Pearl Clark		Lempster, N. H.	Farmer	Lempster, N. H.	Acworth, N. H.

Deaths registered in the Town of Lempster, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1923.

Date 1923	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Years	Months	Days	Birthplace	Sex	Color	Condition	Occupation	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Mar. 1	Lempster, N.H.	Henry Thomas Horton	74	7	22	St. John, N. B.	M	All White	W	Carpenter				
May 31	Lempster, N.H.	Albion Henry Johnson	82	7	19	Lenna, Me.	M		W	Clergyman		Farmington, Vt.		Mary Marston
May 7	Newport, N. H.	Minerva A. Gee	69	6	26	Lempster, N. H.	F		W		Marlow, N. H.	Acworth, N. H.	Johnathon Huntley	Julia A. Whitacre
Aug. 5	Newport, N. H.	Addie H. Kempton	81	10	8	Newport, N. H.	F		W		Newport, N. H.	Newport, N. H.	George W. Howe	Sarah M. Corr
Sept. 6	Lempster, N.H.	Almy Elizabeth Lovejoy			2	Lempster, N. H.	F				Lempster, N.H.	Acworth, N. H.	Frank M. Lovejoy	Pearl Clark
June 22	Lempster, N.H.	Horatio L. Thompson	84				M		W					
Dec. 27	Lempster, N.H.	Frank Harwood					M		S	Laborer				

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELBERT E. HURD, Town Clerk.

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